



PATENT APPLICATION

Our Docket No. 990356.CON

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re App : Stephen Nuss :
Serial No. : 09/760,136 : Art Unit 3736
Filed : January 12, 2001 : Examiner Wingood
For : TITANIUM MOLYBDENUM ALLOY GUIDEWIRE

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This response is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed 4/22/03.

Please amend claim 28 to the following:

28. (amended twice) A method of making a guidewire for inserting into body passageways during medical procedures comprising:

obtaining a titanium molybdenum alloy wire having a composition of approximately 78% titanium, 11.5% molybdenum, 6% zirconium and 4.5% tin by weight

tapering the distal end to provide a gradient of softness,

attaching a coil to the distal end, and

attaching a distal tip to the distal end.

Please amend claim 33 to the following:

33. (amended twice) A method of making a guidewire for inserting into body passageways during medical procedures comprising: